

HOUSE BILL 176

By Russell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40,
Chapter 39, Part 2, relative to sexual offenders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-215(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(4) Engage or participate in an event or function associated with Halloween or, by use of costumes, decorations, candy, treats, favors, or gifts, attract or entice or attempt to attract or entice a minor to be in the presence of the offender. There is established a curfew for all offenders to which this subsection (a) applies that commences at six o'clock p.m. (6:00 p.m.) on October 31 and ends at four o'clock a.m. (4:00 a.m.) on November 1. The curfew does not apply to an offender who is gainfully employed and who is required to work during curfew hours, or an offender who has a documented medical emergency involving the offender or a member of the offender's immediate family for which travel is required during curfew hours.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.